

RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN DENTISTRY
MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING
27 SEPTEMBER 2006

A meeting of the Board of Examiners in Dentistry was held on the above date in the RI Department of Health, Health Policy Forum, Providence, Rhode Island. A quorum was established and the Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

Board members in attendance were:

Francis Connor, DDS, Chairman

Henry Levin, DMD, Vice -Chairman

Richard Glick, DDS

Andrew Molak, DMD

Mary Lou Buonaccorsi

Bernard Manchester

Kathleen Gazzola, RDH, Secretary

Michael Rubinstein, DDS

Joseph Box, DMD

Linda Rusack

Virginia Paine

Staff members in attendance were: Others in attendance were:

Gail Giuliano, Board Administrator Paul Hegner, Esquire

Gregory Madoian, Legal Counsel Dr. Paul Black

Valarie Celentano, Exec. Dir. RIDA

Board members not in attendance:

John Smith

At this time, Mr. Paul Hegner addressed the Board in support of Dr. Black's re-application for dental licensure in Rhode Island. He advised the Board that Dr. Black had applied for and been denied a RI dental license three years ago based upon his failure to disclose disciplinary action taken against his license in Massachusetts. Mr. Hegner advised the Board that since that time, Dr. Black's license has been fully reinstated and unrestricted. He requested that the Board reconsider Dr. Black's application for licensure based upon his current standing in Massachusetts. The Board will seek verification of Dr. Black's dental licensure in Massachusetts and Pennsylvania. The Chairman advised Mr. Hegner and Dr. Black that the Board would take the request under advisement. Mr. Hegner and Dr. Black left the meeting at this time.

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The Chairman, called for a motion to approve the "Open Minutes" of the 19 July 2006 meeting. Upon motion of Dr. Levin, seconded by Mrs. Gazzola, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes as presented.

Dental Licensing Sub-Committee:

Dr. Glick reported that the following candidates have been licensed since the last meeting:

Sheryl Jacobson, DMD

Tufts School of Dental Medicine

Usman Fazli, DMD

BU School of Dental Medicine

Mourad Rahim, DMD

University of Pennsylvania

Mary Jaffarian, DMD

BU School of Dental Medicine

Jennifer Fallon, DMD

Tufts School of Dental Medicine

Soha Alkoka, DMD

University of Pennsylvania

Bassima B. Connelly, DDS

University of Detroit Mercy

Dr. Glick reported that he had reviewed the application and credentials of the following candidate and recommends him for licensure:

**Richard Cardoso, DDS
New York University**

Upon motion of Dr. Box, seconded by Mrs. Rusack, it was voted by the Board to issue the aforementioned individual a license to practice dentistry in the State of Rhode Island pending receipt of the official transcript.

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Dental Hygiene Licensing Sub-Committee:

Mrs. Rusack reported that the following candidates had been licensed since the last meeting:

Dental Hygiene Licenses

Cheryl Marcinko

Delaware Community College

Jason Dextraze

Cape Cod Community College

Amy Luzzi

University of Rhode Island

Andrea Teague

Community College of RI

Patricia Tomasetti

Tunxis Community College

Dental Hygiene with Local Anesthesia Permit

Diana Pereira Borges

Bristol Community College

Linda Tchorz

Bristol Community College

Tracy McGreevy

Bristol Community College

Local Anesthesia Permits

Julie Galleshaw

Kerrie Friel

Heather Vine

Cora Mondeau

Erin Lemay

Kathi J. Duffy

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Local Anesthesia Permits (continued)

Michelle Catalan

Kathleen Gazzola

Melissa Sullivan

Lisa Azar

Carla Boudreau

Mary Anne Barry

Mrs. Rusack advised that after reviewing the applications and credentials of the following candidates, it was determined that they meet the qualifications for licensure as dental hygienists and or certification for local anesthesia permits. The Committee

recommends that following candidates be issued licenses and or permits as listed in their respective categories:

Dental Hygiene Licensure

Angela DiCesaro

Bristol Community College

Corrine Morrow

Middlesex Community College

Dental Hygiene Licensure with Local Anesthesia Permit

Leslie Metros

Bristol Community College

Local Anesthesia Permit

Judith Nist

Patricia McSparren

Upon motion of Ms. Paine, seconded by Dr. Molak, it was voted by the Board to issue the aforementioned individuals licenses to practice dental hygiene and or to grant those qualifying candidates permits to administer local anesthesia.

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the “Open Session” and enter into “Closed Executive Session” for the purpose of discussing disciplinary matters pursuant to the applicable exceptions of the “Open Meeting Law”, so called of Chapter 42-46-5 sub-

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division (1) and (4) of the General Laws. Upon motion by Dr. Box, seconded by Mr. Manchester, the Board voted unanimously to enter into “Executive Session” at 8:50 a.m.

Ms. Celentano recused herself from the meeting at this time.

The Board returned to “Open Session” at 9:20 a.m.

At this time, Ms. Celentano returned to the open meeting.

Dr. Connor requested that any decisions ratified as well as, any public business discussed during the “Closed Executive Session” be made public for the record, to be disclosed in the “Open Meeting”.

Decisions Ratified in Closed Session

There were no decisions ratified, nor any public business discussed, during the Closed Executive Session to be reported.

Sealing of the Closed Executive Minutes

The Chairman called for a motion to seal the minutes of the “Closed Executive Session” of 19 July 2006 meeting pursuant to Section 42-46 (1) and (2). Upon motion of Dr. Levin, seconded by Dr. Box, the Board Voted unanimously to seal the minutes.

The Rules and Regulations Sub-Committee has tentatively scheduled a meeting to be held at CCRI on October 17, 2006 at 5:30 p.m. Members of the Committee are: Kathleen Gazzola, Linda Rusack, Mary Lou Buonaccorsi, Dr. Box, Bernard Manchester, Dr. Molak, and Virginia Paine.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 18 October 2006 in the Director’s Conference Room 401.

Upon motion of Dr. Box, seconded by Dr. Rubinstein, it was unanimously VOTED by the Board to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Francis Connor, DDS, Chairman

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